

## APPENDIX.

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NOTE A.—Just after the Revolution several of the States adopted seals, bearing the figures of Minerva and Ceres or Liberty and Plenty. Liberty and Plenty appeared in the North Carolina colonial seal and are now in our Great Seal.

On the reverse of the Virginia seal of 1776 are the figures of Liberty with her pole and cap, Plenty with the three heads of wheat in her right hand and the cornucopia held in her left hand with the mouth leaning against her shoulder and Aeternitas with the globe and phoenix. One of the first shields prepared for the United States by the committee of the Continental Congress in 1776 composed of Franklin, Adams and Jefferson, had as one of the "supporters Dexter the Goddess of Liberty in a corselet of armour, alluding to the present times, holding in her right hand the spear and cap and with her left supporting the shield of the States."<sup>25</sup>

In 1780 another committee reported another seal to Congress on the reverse side of which was "The figure of Liberty seated in a chair holding the staff and cap. The motto SEMPER and underneath MDCCCLXXVI."<sup>26</sup>

The Goddess of Liberty appears in the present seals of Arkansas, Idaho and other States. The figure of Liberty also appears in an early Pennsylvania seal. The design of the seal of New Jersey has the figures of Liberty with pole and cap, and Plenty with cornucopia in left hand, leaning against her shoulder, etc. This was designed by Pierre Eugene Du Simitiere of Philadelphia in October, 1776. He had just furnished the seal of Virginia in August, 1776, and was then preparing the Georgia and Delaware seals. The figure of Liberty with her pole and cap appears in the New York seal. The reverse side of the Colonial Seal of New York in the reigns of George II. and George III., as far as I can judge from illustrations and descriptions I have seen, was identical with the North Carolina seals of that period; in fact, I take it that the royal arms constituted the reverse side of the seals of all the royal colonies.

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### LORDS OF TRADE TO THE KING, 25 MARCH, 1730.

*To the King's most Excell. Majesty*

May it please Yor Majesty.

In Obedience to Yor. Majtys commands signified to Us by Your Order in Council of ye 21th of last Month, directing us, to cause the

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NOTE.—There is some difference in the extracts from Colonial Records as appear here and in the printed volumes. The proof of the copy here was verified from the original papers now in the Colonial Office in London by Messrs. B. F. Stevens & Brown.

<sup>25</sup>Zieber, p. 96.

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